

RPO Barth Airfield and Firing Range

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25X1 1. Between 15 and 28 June 1952, no firing was observed at Barth airfield. The weather was dull with frequent rain showers. No jet fighters were observed crossing the field.

2. The former administrative building at the field was converted to a children's home, and the officers' building was occupied by resettlers. All other buildings were demolished. Scrap was salvaged from some of them. The firing targets representing the outlines of two aircraft on the grass were located directly next to a concrete strip. *

25X1 [] Comment. Barth firing range is used by the two fighter regiments stationed in Puetnitz. The targets observed indicate that the training program of Soviet fighter pilots also includes attacking parked aircraft. Since the layout of the former airfield is not suitable for modern aircraft it is believed that the field will not be reactivated.

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